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OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Application of

Kong Weng Lee, et al.

Application No. 10/812,526

Filed: March 29, 2004

Attorney Docket No. 70030845-1

DECISION ON PETITION

UNDER 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3)

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3), filed on September 10, 2007, to accept an unintentionally delayed claim under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for the benefit of priority to the priorfiled nonprovisional application set forth in the amendment filed with the petition.

There is no indication that the petition is signed by a registered patent attorney or patent agent of record. However, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.34, the signature of Nellie C. Kaufman appearing on the correspondence shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that she is authorized to represent the particular party on whose behalf she acts. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to M. Kaufman, however; if Ms. Kaufman desires to receive correspondence regarding this file, the appropriate power of attorney documents must be submitted. All future correspondence regarding this application file will be directed solely to the address of record.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A petition for acceptance of a claim for late priority under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3) is only applicable to those applications filed on or after November 29, 2000. Further, the petition is appropriate only after the expiration of the period specified in 37 CFR 1.78(a)(2)(ii). In addition, the petition under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3) must be accompanied by:

- (1) the reference required by 35 U.S.C. § 120 and 37 CFR 1.78(a)(2)(i) and
- (iii) of the prior-filed application(s), unless previously submitted;¹

Any nonprovisional application or international application designating the United States of America claiming the benefit of one or more prior-filed copending applications or international applications designating the United States of America must contain or be amended to contain a reference (amendment to the first line of the specification following the title or in an application data sheet (ADS) to each such prior-filed application, identifying it by application number (consisting of the series code and serial number) or international application number and international filing date filing date and indicating the relationship of the applications. Cross references to other related applications may be made when appropriate (see § 1.14).

- (2) the surcharge set forth in § 1.17(t); and
- (3) a statement that the entire delay between the date the claim was due under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(2)(ii) and the date the claim was filed was unintentional. The Director may require additional information where there is a question whether the delay was unintentional.

All of the above requirements having been satisfied, the late claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 is accepted as being unintentionally delayed.

The granting of the petition to accept the delayed benefit claim to the prior-filed application(s) under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3) should not be construed as meaning that this application is entitled to the benefit of the prior-filed application(s). In order for this application to be entitled to the benefit of the prior-filed application(s), all other requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and 37 CFR 1.78(a)(1) and (a)(2) must be met. Similarly, the fact that the corrected Filing Receipt accompanying this decision on petition includes the prior-filed application(s) should not be construed as meaning that applicant is entitled to the claim for benefit of priority to the prior-filed application(s) noted thereon. Accordingly, the examiner will, in due course, consider this benefit claim and determine whether the application is entitled to the benefit of the earlier filing date.

A corrected Filing Receipt, which includes the priority claim to the prior-filed nonprovisional application, accompanies this decision on petition.

Any inquiries concerning this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3204. All other inquiries concerning either the examination procedures or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This application is being forwarded to Technology Center Art Unit 2885 for consideration by the examiner of applicant's entitlement to claim benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to the priorfiled application.

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Attachment: Corrected Filing Receipt

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CONFIRMATION NO. 3297

CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

Date Mailed: 10/22/2007

Receipt is acknowledged of this non-provisional patent application. The application will be taken up for examination in due course. Applicant will be notified as to the results of the examination. Any correspondence concerning the application must include the following identification information: the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, FILING DATE, NAME OF APPLICANT, and TITLE OF INVENTION. Fees transmitted by check or draft are subject to collection. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. If an error is noted on this Filing Receipt, please write to the Office of Initial Patent Examination's Filing Receipt Corrections. Please provide a copy of this Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon. If you received a "Notice to File Missing Parts" for this application, please submit any corrections to this Filing Receipt with your reply to the Notice. When the

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Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a CIP of 10/669,986 09/23/2003

Foreign Applications

If Required, Foreign Filing License Granted: 06/10/2004

The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is **US 10/812,526**

Projected Publication Date: Not Applicable

Non-Publication Request: No

Early Publication Request: No

Title

Ceramic packaging for high brightness LED devices

Preliminary Class

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